



David Bentsen Benton

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David Bentsen Benton was born September 25, 1959 in Austin, Texas and passed away March 15, 2015 in Dallas, Texas. Survived by parents, Don and Rose Marie Benton; brothers, Don C. Benton and wife, Shelley, Dallas Benton and wife, Stacy; sisters, Donna M. Benton, Deborah Benton Heffler; several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. The service for David Benton will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2015 at 11:00 AM in The Memorial Chapel at Restland Funeral Home. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Restland Funeral Home and Memorial Park, 13005 Greenville Avenue, at Restland Road, Dallas, TX 75243.



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PA

Patsy posted:

I did not personally know David, but working on Ancestry and found that he is actually related to me from a long line of Bentons. His father, Don's dad Harlon Vineyard Benton is the son of John Stephen "Steve" Benton, whom is my grandfather's older brother. Always sad to discover the loss of a young man to any family! Know it's still hard missing your brother and friend. Always prayers. Maybe I'll connect with this family on social media as I reach out to find more Benton descendants. Patsy Benton Bryant

January 27 at 3:01 PM

RD

Restland Of Dallas posted:

A sympathy card was purchased for the family of David Bentsen Benton.

April 3 at 11:31 AM

NR

Norma Raymond posted:

We can't tell you how sorry we are at your loss. You and your family are in our prayers. Norma Raymond LLUMC Rev 21: 4-5

March 23 at 3:14 PM

JP

Janet Pittman posted:

I was so very sorry to hear about the loss of David. I knew the Benton family through Lovers Lane United Methodist Church where my parents, Marvin and Betty Berkeley, were long-time members. I pray for God to give you comfort at this difficult time.

March 21 at 9:30 AM

SC

Sue Ann Cole posted:

Sue Ann Cole purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of David Bentsen Benton.

March 21 at 8:51 AM

RD

Restland Of Dallas posted:

Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David Bentsen Benton.

March 20 at 7:27 PM



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IM

Ilona Molton posted:

Landmark Club is where we all met. What great times we had. David was just a big overgrown kid! He had such a big heart and perfect smile. I have such fond memories of the times we shared. Your family is in my prayers, Ilona Molton

March 20 at 6:39 PM

SB

Sandy Baker posted:

I worked with David in the 80's at Eppler, Guerin & Turner. We had so much fun at work. David always had a smile, kind word and made work a great place to go to every day. David had intelligence and charm. He was very kind to everyone. My prayers go out to his family and friends.

March 20 at 6:27 PM

MM

Mary Beth Matthews posted:

I'm Mary Beth Matthews, daughter of Bill and Norma. We are heartsick about your son, and the tragic way he died. All Glory to God because only he knows the reason. May you find strength and comfort during this difficult time.

March 20 at 2:36 PM

RD

Restland Of Dallas posted:

Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of David Bentsen Benton.

March 20 at 7:18 AM

WB

Wendy Anderson Blanchard posted:

Dear Don and Family, I was so saddened and shocked to hear about the death of David. I will always remember his warm and infectious smile. He was always one of the nicest boys I knew growing up. Don, I hope you and your family are finding the comfort you gave SO MANY of us and our family and friends over the years. You were such a calming and comforting presence for us growing up in your churches, marriages, baptisms of our children and deaths of family friends. Please know David's smile will always be remembered and many people are praying for you and your family's comfort and support during this time. Love to all, Wendy "Anderson" Blanchard

March 20 at 7:06 AM



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TA

Terri Aleman posted:

Dear Benton Family, Words cannot express my deepest sympathy in the tragic loss of your son and brother. For me, at one time he was a very dear friend. I am praying for David and will keep all of you in my prayers.

March 20 at 5:05 AM

DH

Diane Lazuka Hammond posted:

I was heartbroken when I heard the news story. My thoughts and prayers are with your family. I grew up with David through Elementary, Jr. High and High School. I will never forget that smile and freckled face. Diane Lazuka Hammond

March 20 at 4:25 AM

RD

Restland Of Dallas posted:

Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of David Bentsen Benton.

March 20 at 4:01 AM

BR

Beth Redinger posted:

I recently learned of your loss. My heart aches for the family. Though I have not seen or spoken to any of the Benton family for many years, friends from home are always close through wonderful memories that always bring a smile to my heart. Blessings, Beth Caldwell Redinger

March 19 at 3:29 PM

MT

Mary Thacker posted:

My brothers and I grew up attending Spring Valley Methodist Church and loved the Benton family dearly. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Much Love, Mary (Johnson) Thacker

March 19 at 10:49 AM

SW

Sue White posted:

Benton Family, My thoughts and prayers are with you all. David was the kindest soul I've ever known. Love, Sue

March 19 at 8:59 AM



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AK

Amy King posted:

Don and Rosie, Your family has always been a part of our lives. You helped counsel my parents through rough times at Spring Valley UMC and then again at Lovers Lane UMC. You baptized me, performed our wedding ceremony (on your birthday none the less), and you baptized my daughter. If I was able to take away this pain, I would do it in an instant. I pray for peace for you and your family. Much love, Amy

March 19 at 7:50 AM

BB

Bob Bentsen posted:

Don, Rosie and family, You and Rosie have provided comfort to so many members of our family and countless others during our times of sorrow. I recall vividly the last few words you spoke at my grandfather's funeral—"Here's the proposition". Well, here's the proposition, our thoughts and prayers are lifted high to your family during your time of loss. May God provide comfort and peace to you, Rosie, Don, Dallas, Donna and Debbie. Bob Bentsen

March 19 at 4:09 AM

RD

Restland Of Dallas posted:

Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of David Bentsen Benton.

March 18 at 2:25 PM



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CP

Charlotte (Kathy) Edwards Patterson posted:

My introduction to David is still a vivid childhood memory! We had just moved to Texas and it was my first day of kindergarten at Spring Valley Methodist Church. I was so nervous to meet my new classmates. As I made my way to the table, David accidentally pulled a chair out from under me and I ended up sprawled out on the floor? He was so distressed!!! Everyone laughed and it broke the ice for me and I relaxed. It was a memorable first day and I came home with the story that the Minster?s son had given me quite a welcome! By the next year, my best friend (Cathy Gaskill) and I both had 1st Grade crushes on David. He was a frequent visitor at her house, 2 doors down from me (ironically it later became his good friend, Greg Clapp?s home). Much to my distress, it became clear that he was smitten with her when I found them cuddled together (innocently) in a closet during a game of hide and seek. I will never forget the embarrassed yet also the big happy grin on his face! After her family moved away, I was impressed to discover that David kept in communication with Cathy. Whenever he received a letter, he would update me on her life. From day 1, you could always count on him for a smile! I can honestly say that my thoughts of David will always be of a kind and thoughtful person with a genuinely giving heart. Although disappointed that I will be out of town for the Memorial, David?s family and friends are in my thoughts and prayers. Charlotte (Kathy) Edwards Patterson

March 18 at 1:09 PM

ED

Elaine Dancer posted:

My heart is broken for all the Benton family. Please know how much I care. I am lifting you up to our Heavenly Father for comfort and strength. Hope to see you soon. Much love!! Elaine Dancer

March 18 at 11:47 AM

MM

Mac Mcpherson posted:

Don and Rosie, The both of you have been in my thoughts since last Sunday. I know what it is to be in grief for the one you loved. Mac McPherson

March 18 at 11:25 AM

MB

Mark Brown posted:

My heart goes out to the entire Benton family. I have been sickened with grief over the loss of my dear friend David. I have so many fond memories of David and your family and I can only hope your own fond memories will carry you through this difficult time. Friends forever. Love Mark and Leslie Brown

March 18 at 10:23 AM



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TP

Tony Palagonia posted:

Our hearts ache and our prayers of strength and comfort are sent to you and your family. Tony Palagonia and Erin (Little) Palagonia

March 18 at 8:11 AM

JP

Judy Clayton Pugh posted:

I remember when David was in college and had to pick an extra class. He chose a classical guitar class. I never thought of David as musical. One day at the house, I heard a familiar Beatles song being played on the guitar. It was David. He played with such feeling. It was beautiful. David always would tease me about being short. I am under 5 feet and he was way over 6 feet tall. Good times.

March 18 at 3:14 AM

SB

Sandy Baker posted:

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March 17 at 6:03 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring David by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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